

INCENDIARY FIRE KILLS 5

The Victims, Man, His Wife
and Three Children

IN A YONKERS TENEMENT

Several Firemen Overcome—Their At-
tempt to Reach Family Living on
the Second Floor Proves a
Failure.

Yonkers, Dec. 22.—Thomas Frederick, wife, and three children, Mary, 12, Agnes, 8, and Thomas, 3, were burned to death in an early morning fire in a five-story frame building at the corner of Wakefield and Glover avenues.

The fire broke out in a bakeshop on the first floor. It was discovered by John Wilkins, proprietor of the shop, on his return at 5:30 o'clock from his first delivery. He gave the alarm, and with several workmen endeavored to arouse the five families occupying the building. All the families reached the street in safety by clambering down the rear fire escapes, except the Fredericks, who were sound asleep at the time and who did not hear the alarm.

The flames spread rapidly and several firemen were overcome in the effort to reach the second floor, where the Fredericks lived. The body of Frederick was found by the kitchen door, burned to a crisp. Mrs. Frederick was suffocated in bed. The three children, who slept in a room adjoining their mother, were overcome in attempting to reach her. They could have reached the rear fire escape in time to be saved. The damage is \$25,000. The fire is thought to be of incendiary origin.

WHITE HOUSE FIRE SCARE.

The Automatic Alarm Goes Off by Accident.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Nearly one-half of the fire department turned out shortly after one o'clock yesterday and proceeded with all haste to the White House, where it was supposed their services were badly needed. While the apparatus was on its way, telephone calls elicited only the reply that someone was perpetrating a hoax, but the attaches soon found that this was not the case, for the fire department was rapidly coming upon the scene. There was a stampede to locate the fire, but it developed that one of the automatic alarms had gone off by accident. There was great excitement about the premises for a time.

The president's younger son, Charlie Taft, was exonerated from any participation in the false alarm. Charlie was out in one of the White House automobiles and had a good alibi. The president was in the cabinet session at the time of the alarm and knew nothing of it until he went to the White House for lunch.

BENT ON LYNCHING.

Sheriff Awaits Missouri Mob with Riot Guns.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 22.—Determined to lynch William Clark, 150 employees of the East St. Louis & Suburban Railway company seized an outgoing car early yesterday and started for Belleville, Ill., where the county jail is situated.

They ran the car three miles, when the power on the line was shut off by the general manager, C. S. Hewitt, and the car was left stranded.

Armed with riot guns and 1,000 rounds of ammunition, Sheriff Cashel and 12 deputies guarded the jail all night.

Clark is the negro who is under arrest for the murder of Eugene Goudy, motorman of a street car, and the probable fatal wounding of M. H. O'Brien, the car conductor, in East St. Louis on Saturday night. Robbery was the motive of the murder and assault.

A ROPE OF PEARLS.

Christmas Gift That Cost Giver \$750,000.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 22.—Probably the most splendid and costly Christmas gift that any woman in the world will receive this year will be a rope of magnificent pearls, costing \$750,000, which George D. Widener will present to his wife, who was Miss Eleanor Elkins, daughter of the late William Elkins, the traction magnate.

It is said to be the most costly string of pearls in the world, and at a recent sale in New York brought the highest price recorded for pearl necklaces. It is said that Widener intended the rope of pearls, some of which are nearly as large as pigeon eggs and sufficient for a king's ransom, as a surprise for his wife, but news of the intended gift has leaked out.

BRITISH UNIONS LOSE.

House of Lords Finds They May Not Make Compulsory Levies.

London, Dec. 22.—The house of lords, the final court of appeal in this country, decided yesterday that a trades union may not make compulsory levies upon its members to provide for its parliamentary representatives. In declaring that such levies would be illegal the second chamber sustains the decision of the appeal court, handed down a year ago. The issue had been regarded so important that the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants decided to carry the case to the highest court. The labor party had announced already that if the verdict of the lords was against it, a bill to legalize compulsory levies would be promoted.

King Has Deathbed Wedding.
Paris, Dec. 22.—A special to The Temps from Brussels affirms that a religious marriage of King Leopold and Baroness Vaughan was solemnized at Laeken palace prior to the operation which his majesty underwent.

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MATCHLESS VALUES
in suitable Holiday Gifts
for Men and Boys. No
larger assortment in
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None offer you such
good values.



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Suspenders

Put up one pair in a fancy box, made especially for Christmas trade. Best webbing, extra fine buckles and fancy leather ends. Just what you want for HIM. We have them in two grades, 23c and 49c.

COMBINATION SETS, comprised of Suspenders, Garters, and Arm Bands, in a handsome box. They will please any man.
SALE PRICE..... 50c

FANCY ARM BANDS in all shades, put up in fancy boxes.
SALE PRICE..... 23c

BOSTON GARTERS.....10c

EXTRA

Initial Handkerchiefs

MEN'S SILK INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, full size, extra quality silk, always sold for 50c.
SALE PRICE..... 39c

PURE LINEN INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, hemstitched, that always sold for 25c.
SALE PRICE..... 19c

MEN'S FANCY SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, in all plain or fancy borders, regularly sold for 35c.
SALE PRICE..... 23c

MEN'S FINE WHITE HANDKERCHIEFS, extra fine quality, three widths of hemstitched borders, always sold for 25c.
SALE PRICE 17c, 3 for 50c

OTHER GRADES in prices ranging from 2c to 7c.

REORGANIZATION SALE

EXTRA

We Set the Pace in Value Giving

Useful Christmas goods at the lowest prices we've ever quoted or heard of. The climax of value giving in this Reorganization Sale is reached this week. We have everything that MEN and BOYS wear. Do your shopping here and save almost one-half the regular price. Below are only a few of the extra bargains in our store.

EXTRA

Sweaters

FOR MEN AND BOYS. Extraordinary bargains on all sweaters; the colors are Oxford, green, blue and brown, some plain, some combination trimmed. It's a chance in a lifetime to buy Sweaters at the prices we have them marked.
PRICES 38c to 3.98
SALE

EXTRA

Men's Dress Shirts

in a large variety of stripes and designs. New goods, and ought to be sold for \$1.25 each. Made in coat style, plain or plaited bosom, cuffs attached or detached.
SALE PRICE..... 79c

MEN'S SHIRTS in percale and woven madras, stripes and neat figures, worth 50c.
SALE PRICE..... 37c

MEN'S WORK SHIRTS.....37c

EXTRA

Men's Hosiery

MEN'S FANCY LISLE HOSE for Christmas, put up four pairs in a box. Regular 35c quality.

4 PAIRS FOR \$1.00

MEN'S CASHMERE HOSE in black, tan and dark grey. Regularly sold for 35c. SALE PRICE..... 19c

MEN'S WOOL HOSE in blue Shaker knit, exceptional value at 25c.
SALE PRICE..... 19c

EXTRA

Bath Robes

MEN'S BATH ROBES in a variety of colors and best quality materials.

\$6.00 Bath Robes now \$4.95

\$3.50 Bath Robes now \$2.49

MEN'S SMOKING JACKETS. In order to clean out these coats, we have marked them far below the cost.

EXTRA

Christmas Neckwear

In figured and corded satins, also in brocaded and fancy silks, light and dark effects seldom sold for less than \$1.00, put up one in a box.
SALE PRICE..... 69c

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR, made open ends in all the leading shades and fancy effects. Hundreds of different patterns to select from, usual sold for 75c. One in a box.
SALE PRICE..... 45c

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR. You will say these are bargains at double the price. Open and closed ends in a variety of colors and patterns.
SALE PRICE..... 23c

EXTRA

Jewelry

In order to close out ALL our jewelry, we have put prices on every article away below what they cost us. A good piece of jewelry is always acceptable, especially as a Christmas gift.

CLOCKS, WATCHES, CHAINS, BRACELETS, CUFF LINKS, STICK PINS—in fact, everything must be closed out.

POCKETKNIVES. Our entire line of Pocketknives to be closed out. You can buy one of the best knives made for about the price of a cheap one. Every man knows how to appreciate a good knife. GET HIM ONE.

EXTRA

Flannel Shirts

Men's genuine Cherry Valley Flannel Shirts in blue, grey, green and brown, single and double-breasted, made to sell at \$1.25.
SALE PRICE..... 98c

MEN'S EXTRA HEAVY TWEIL Work Shirts in black, blue and pencil stripes; ought to sell for 75c.
SALE PRICE..... 42c

MEN'S NIGHT SHIRTS, made of heavy flannel in military or turndown collar style, sold everywhere at \$1.00.
SALE PRICE..... 69c

OUTING FLANNEL NIGHT SHIRTS, always sold for 50c.
SALE PRICE..... 39c

EXTRA

\$3.00 Boys' Suit

Made with knickerbocker or knee pants, in stripes and fancy mixtures. Well tailored and will stand the rough and tumble wear. Sizes 6 to 18.
SALE PRICE..... 1.90

\$5.00 Boys' Suit

This suit is a world-beater, and cannot be duplicated at wholesale for the price we are asking you for it. Made in knickerbocker, fancy pockets, material all wool, in gray and brown mixture.
SALE PRICE..... 2.98

50c Boys' Knee Pants This lot of pants was sold for more money and they are all well, well tailored. The material alone is worth the price.
SALE PRICE..... 59c

EXTRA

Silk Mufflers

A LARGE VARIETY OF PATTERNS AND COLORS TO SELECT FROM, ALL MARKED LESS THAN THE WHOLESALE PRICE.

EXTRA

Men's Derby Hats

\$2.00 Black Derby that will hold its shape and will not fade. New shades.
SALE PRICE..... 1.49

50c Men's Winter Caps Extra quality cloth, with fur bands inside to protect the ears, SALE PRICE 39c

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EXTRA

Boys' Sweaters

Heavy knit, in Oxford and Oxford with blue and red trimmings. It's a 60c Sweater. SALE PRICE 37c

Boys' Storm Shoes

Storm and Skating Shoes, high cut, with buckles and cuff top, in tan, grain and damp-proof calf.
SALE PRICE \$1.59 and 1.98

EXTRA

Rubbers

ALL GRADES OF DRESS AND WORKING RUBBERS AND OVERSHOES ARE NOW MARKED AT A REDUCTION FOR THIS SALE.

"MYSTERY GIRL" IDENTIFIED.

Young Woman Who Attempted Suicide Is Marguerite M. Marshall.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22.—It was positively learned here yesterday that the young woman now hovering between life and death at St. Vincent's hospital as the result of an attempt to end her life by drinking laudanum and shooting herself through the head three times while a guest at the Queen Anne cottage at Virginia Beach last Wednesday, is Miss Marguerite M. Marshall, up to two weeks ago the member of a staff of a New York newspaper. Miss Marshall, who is a graduate of Tufts college, Medford, Mass., class of 1907, came here last week to join a theatrical company as press representative. She registered at the hotel as Miss Ruth Morton of Chicago and carefully destroyed all evidence of her identity before she attempted to end her life. The motive for her desire to end her life is yet unknown. At St. Vincent's, it was said that the young woman has a slight chance for recovery.

Portland, Me., Dec. 22.—Miss Marguerite M. Marshall, who attempted suicide at Norfolk, taught English at Westbrook seminary one term in the fall of 1907. For a time after that she was employed as a society reporter by the Portland Daily Press. Kingston, N. H., is her native town.

Colds Conquered Means Sickness Saved

Anyone interested in the cure of Consumption, should get one of the booklets telling of recoveries by the use of Eckman's Alternative.

Goughs, Stubborn Colds and Pneumonia may be the beginning of more serious troubles—Eckman's Alternative is the effective remedy. Take it in time.

FRAUDS IN CUSTOMS

Twenty-Seven Indictments
Against Conspirators

BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY

Importers of Dresses, Laces and Silks Combined to Defraud Government.
Over a Million Dollars a Year Lost.

New York, Dec. 22.—The federal grand jury has returned 27 indictments against dressmakers, milliners and importers of lace and silks, who are charged with conspiracy to defraud the government by smuggling trunks of fine fabrics. United States Marshal Henckels' men arrested yesterday 13 dressmakers, or representatives of dressmaking concerns, and a customs employee who is alleged to have been instrumental in slipping trunks through without the payment of duties. All were later released on bail, ranging from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

It is said at the United States district attorney's office that the "sleeper trunk" conspiracy was so successful for five years that it cost the government about \$1,000,000 in stolen duties. There was no trick, according to government inspectors, that the combination failed to work, it is promised well. The fraud scheme was designed in 1904 by a former customs official named Frank Pavetti, who is now dead. He lost his job in the service and went to Paris with an idea in his head. Before he quit, he had impressed a good

many importers of dresses, laces, silks and millinery with the possibilities of his scheme, and he began to work it as soon as he got on the other side.

According to the United States district attorney's office, Philip Philipson, the customs man arrested yesterday, was Pavetti's agent on this side.

Philipson was at work on the docks where he could do the most good, the pier of the American and Red Star lines.

The agents of the conspiracy were paid 50 per cent of what the duties would have been by the dressmakers and importers, who benefited by the scheme.

CASES SET FOR TRIAL.

When Vermont Supreme Court Opens on January 4.

The trial calendar of the supreme court for the January term, 1910, is out, and the following cases are set for trial for the first week, Tuesday, January 4: Windham county, Plin H. Wetherby v. P. V. Allen; Watson S. French v. T. Raymond; Hermon E. Eddy, adm'r, v. Fall Mountain Electric Light and Power company. Rutland county, Frank G. Purrington v. Gustav H. Grimm; State

v. Allen Sanborn (adultery); Franklin county, J. S. Bostwick & Son v. St. Albans Driving association; Thomas A. Derosa v. Peter Ferland; Herbert E. Chapman, by next friends, Anna Chapman v. James Gosseline; State of Vermont ex rel A. J. Lamb v. D. S. Gillman, Chittenden county; U. S. of America for use and benefit of Elias Lyman Coal company vs. Fidelity and Guaranty Co. Orange county, Carlos D. Slack v. Dana Bragg; Cora E. Crompton v. Albert H. Beedle and A. B. Thomas; State v. Anna Clark (adultery); Clarence McDermott v. W. O. Taft. Orleans county, Perley A. Crawford v. O. V. Joslyn; John J. Kilby v. C. L. Erwin; and petition for new trial by defendant. Essex county, Paul Lottinville v. Frank Markee; Leslie P. Hovey v. Wheatley B. Cook; A. C. Hodgdon v. Charles A. Blois; Hattie Willard v. E. F. Norcross; and E. F. Norcross v. Hattie E. Willard. Caldonia county, Edie J. Russell, adm'r, v. F. M. Bailey, Windsor county, Allie F. Fairbanks, and George H. Fairbanks v. Julius E. Harvey, Washington county, Commercial Jewelry company v. Basille Bente; Thomas Stacy v. Frank Stacy; State v. Elton L. Taylor (adultery).

Dr. Pierce's Health Talks

The miracle of motherhood is often overshadowed by the misery of motherhood. The great functional changes which are incident to child bearing leave their mark for life on many a mother. Some women offer up their lives as a sacrifice on the altar of motherhood. A far greater number live on in ceaseless misery. Their strength fails, their beauty fades, they have no ambition and no enjoyment in life. To every woman

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Offers escape from the pains and perils of motherhood. Taken during the period of waiting and anticipation this medicine strengthens the body, nourishes the nerves, and prepares the whole womanly system for the coming of baby. It also insures an abundant supply of nourishment for the child.

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Accept no substitute for "Favorite Prescription." There is nothing "just as good" for weak and sickly women. All its ingredients printed on its bottle-wrapper.

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